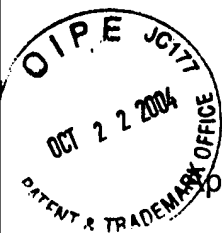


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LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
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October 22, 2004

Sir:

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) was submitted to the U.S. Patent Office on September 20, 2004. In the IDS, a statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) was included that mistakenly stated that the reference cited in the IDS was "first" cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application not more than three months prior to the filing of the IDS. However, the reference cited in the IDS was, in fact, known to Applicants' more than three months prior to the filing of the IDS, but Applicants did not believe the reference to be particularly relevant to the present application.

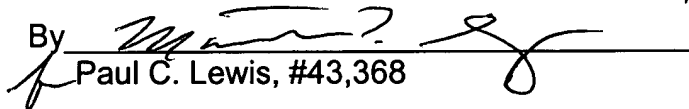
In order to correct the above deficiency, a fee in the amount of **\$180.00** as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is attached hereto. It is respectfully submitted that all of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and 1.98 have been complied with and therefore Applicants request that the Examiner consider the IDS filed on September 20, 2004.


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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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